


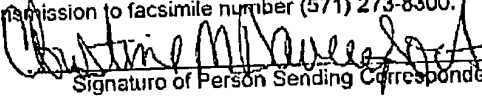
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In response to the Office Action dated October 6, 2005, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments as follows:

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